



December 26, 2007

Dear School Owner and Students:

As you are aware, the Private Postsecondary and Vocational Education Reform Act (Act) became inoperative (sunset), and the Bureau for Private Postsecondary and Vocational Education (Bureau) closed on June 30, 2007.

As a result of the sunset, four legislative proposals were introduced in the legislature. Two of them, Assembly Bill 1525 and Senate Bill 45 passed and were signed by the governor. They can be found in law as Chapter 67 and Chapter 635 of the Statutes of 2007. Two legislative proposals, Assembly Bill 1182 and Senate Bill 823, remain pending.

In order to discuss the impact of the new and proposed legislation on private postsecondary schools and the students who attend them, I invite you and your students to attend a workshop sponsored by the Department of Consumer Affairs. The workshop will cover:

- Voluntary agreements and what it means to enter into a voluntary agreement
- Certificates of Authorization for Service
- The use of the term "Approved Institution"
- The Student Bill of Rights
- An opportunity to ask questions and receive answers

A schedule of workshop dates, locations and times is enclosed with this letter. A special flyer inviting your students is also enclosed. Please post this flyer and if possible, send it to them electronically. An electronic copy can be obtained from the former Bureau's website. I am also asking that you RSVP as space is limited in some of the venues. You may RSVP your attendance by e-mail to www.bppve.ca.gov, by telephone to 916-574-7781, or by fax to 916-574-8652. Please provide the information requested on the enclosed RSVP form.

If you cannot make one of the workshop sessions, the information from the workshop will be available after January 16, 2008 on the former Bureau website www.bppve.ca.gov. We are also planning a web cast of the Sacramento workshop on January 16, 2008. For more information on the web cast please visit the former Bureau's website after January 2, 2008.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading 'Carrie Lopez'.

Carrie Lopez
Director

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